## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Ret application of:

Rahul K. Surana

Application No.: 10/809,906

Filed: March 26, 2004

For: A TECHNIQUE FOR PROCESS-

QUALIFYING A SEMICONDUCTOR MANUFACTURING TOOL USING

**METROLOGY DATA** 

Examiner: McDonald, S.

Art Unit:

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 (a)

Sir:

Applicants respectfully request a three month extension of time in which to respond to the Office Action mailed October 6, 2006 for which a three month response period expiring on January 6, 2007, was set. The extended period expires on April 5, 2007.

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A check for \$1020.00 is enclosed to cover the fee for a three month extension of time. If any additional fee is required, please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2666. A duplicate of this Petition is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted, BLAKELY, SOKOLOFF, TAYLOR & ZAFMAN LLP

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